

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PEPR, EG, ET, SO, NI OAU  
SUBJ: GOE REACTION TO OGADEN WITHDRAWAL

REF: CAIRO 7861

1. AHRAM REPORTS MARCH 11 THAT FONMIN KAMEL CONSIDERS SOMALI DECISION TO WITHDRAW REGULAR FORCES FROM OGADEN "CONSTRUCTIVE STEP." KAMEL SAID GOE IN CONTACT WITH ETHIOPIA, SOMALIA AND SOME AFRICAN STATES TO INSURE AFRICAN SOLUTION.
2. "RESPONSIBLE SOURCE" AT MFA TOLD AHRAM EGYPT HAD FIRST OFFERED TO MEDIATE BETWEEN SOMALIA AND ETHIOPIA SEVERAL WEEKS AGO AND HAD DISCUSSED WITHDRAWAL DECISION WITH SOMALI FOREIGN MINISTER DURING HIS VISIT LAST WEEK. SOURCE ADDED THAT IN SEARCH OF AFRICAN SETTLEMENT GOE  
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WOULD: (A) WELCOME IN CAIRO ANY POLITICAL MISSIONS FROM SOMALIA AND ETHIOPIA; (B) WELCOME SENDING OF HIGH-LEVEL MISSIONS TO SOMALIA AND ETHIOPIA; (C) COORDINATE ITS EFFORTS WITH OTHER AFRICAN EFFORTS; AND (D) COORDINATE WITH OAU CONCILATION COMMITTEE AND ITS CHAIRMAN NIGERIA.

3. COMMENT: "RESPONSIBLE SOURCE" IS MFA DIRECTOR

SIDQI WHO IS CARRYING OUT INSTRUCTIONS TO PUT BEST  
POSSIBLE LIGHT ON COLLAPSE OF SOMALIA RESISTANCE(AND  
EGYPTIAN POLICY). THRUST OF GOE EFFORT IS TO  
SEEK AFRICAN SETTLEMENT AS WAY TO FREEZE OUT SOVIETS.EILTS

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